WAIVERS REQUESTED OF SEA REQUIREMENTS

Idaho requests a waiver of the State-level requirements it has indicated below. The State believes that the requested waiver(s) will increase its ability to implement the School Improvement Grant (SIG) 1003(g) program effectively in eligible schools in the State in order to improve the quality of instruction and raise the academic achievement of students in eligible schools. Idaho has already requested and been granted waivers for FY 2009 SIG funds until September 30, 2013, and FY 2009 carryover funds until September 30, 2014. However it is further requesting waivers for the period of availability for 2010 and 2011 funds. Idaho granted 3-year awards to LEAs under both the FY 2009 and FY 2010 competitions and plans to grant 3-year awards under the FY 2011 competition. To ensure funding is appropriately distributed across the 3-year awards, a waiver will assist with State and local efforts in utilizing funding to meet the purpose of the SIG program.

Period of availability of FY 2010 School Improvement Grant Funds

The State requests a waiver for section 421(b) of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. § 1225(b)) to extend the period of availability of all FY 2010 school improvement grant funds under 1003(g) of the ESEA for the SEA and all of its LEAs to September 30, 2014.

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